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: METHOD FOR MEASURING THE ABSOLUTE STEERING ANGLE OF

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STEERING SHAFT FOR VEHICLE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby bring the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

U.S. Patent No. 5,930,905 to ZABLER et al., which issued on August 3, 1999.

Applicants note that this document is discussed on pages 1-3 of the specification; and

U.S. Patent No. 6,466,889 to SCHODLBAUER, which issued on October 15, 2002.

Applicants note that this document is discussed on pages 1-3 of the specification.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patents are not enclosed. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Both of the documents have been listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the

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Form to the Applicants with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Applicants also call to the Examiner's attention the following co-pending, commonly assigned patent applications:

- U.S. Patent Application No. 10/748,151 to LEE et al., entitled "Method for Measuring the Absolute Steering Angle of Steering Shaft for Vehicle," which was filed on December 31, 2003;
- U.S. Patent Application No. 10/748,239 to KANG et al., entitled "Method for Measuring the Absolute Steering Angle of Steering Shaft for Vehicle Using Table," which was filed on December 31, 2003; and
- U.S. Patent Application No. 10/330,325 to SHIN, entitled "Detection Apparatus for Steering Angle in Vehicle," which was filed on December 30, 2002.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(iii), copies of the above-mentioned applications are enclosed herewith. However, the Examiner is also requested to review the file wrapper of these U.S. Patent Applications at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the references of record, if any, cited therein.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the instant application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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